

Rs. 16.98 crores has been made for this item of work. *Inter-alia*, the plan for resettlement and rehabilitation approved by Government of Andhra Pradesh provides for development of infrastructural facilities roads, schools, hospitals, libraries, approach roads and protected water supply for all resettlements. In addition, economic development schemes for 27 fully and 42 partially submerged villages are planned, alongwith house sites free of cost.

Polavaram Irrigation Project

2380. SHRI DHARMABHIKSHAM : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated cost of the Polavaram Irrigation Project in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) the details of financial assistance sought from the World Bank for the implementation of the project; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to declare it a National Project?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) and (b). The Project as formulated by the State Government is estimated to cost Rs. 3030 crores. The State Government is required to modify the proposal in the light of the observations of Central Water Commission. Therefore, there is no proposal for seeking financial assistance from the World Bank for the project at present.

(c) The Polavaram Project fulfils the criteria evolved for declaring a project as a national project.

Modernisation of Durgapur Steel Plant

2381. SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD : Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the process and execution of modernisation work of the Durgapur Steel Plant has been completed according to its time schedule;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the further time schedule fixed for its completion;

(d) whether the contractors of both Indian and foreign origins have been raising their bills due to cost escalation;

(e) if so, the details of the bills paid to them both in India and foreign currency;

(f) whether any foreign aid or loan has been utilised; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) to (c). The modernisation work of Durgapur Steel Plant is due for completion by March, 1993. This schedule is likely to be adhered to except for one Blast Furnace out of the three to be reconstructed which is expected to be completed by December, 1993.

(d) For the indigenous portion only, the contracts provide an escalation clause, with a ceiling of 15%, and the contractors have been raising bills on this account.

(e) the details of the amount towards escalation so far paid are as follows:

Sl. No.	Package	Contractors	Amount Paid (Rupee crores)			
1	2	3	4			
1.	Raw material Handling Plant	Birla Technical Services (BTS)				0.59
		Hindustan Steel Works Construction (HSCL)				5.19
						5.78
2.	Sintering Plant	Tiazpromexport, USSR (TPE)				0.75
		Hindustan Steelworks Construction Ltd. (HSCL)				1.34
						2.09
3.	Blast Furnace	Tiazpromesport, USST (TPE)				0.87
		Birla Technical Services (BTS)				0.21
		Hindustan Steel-works Construction Ltd. (HSCL)				0.74
						1.82
4.	Basic Oxygen Furnace	Birla Technical Service (BTS)				0.45
		Dodsai				7.53
						7.98

Sl. No.	Package	Contractors	Amount Paid (Rupee crores)			
			1	2	3	4
5.	Continuous Casting Plant	Larsen & Toubro				5.98
6.	Ore Processing Plant	Hindustan Steel Works Construction Ltd. (HSCL)				0.12
7.	Coke Oven Battery	Otto India Ltd.				2.21
8.	Bye-Product Plant	Engg. Projects (India) Ltd.				0.90
9.	new Lime Calcination Plant	Vulcan Engg. Works				0.65
10.	Hot Metal Ladle Repair Shop	Braithwaite.				0.91
11.	plant Water Supply	Engineering Projects (India) Ltd. (EPI)				0.25
12.	Repair Shop Facility and Instrumentation shortage.	Hindustan Steel Works Construction Ltd. (HSCL)				0.03
13.	power Distribution	Asean Brown Boverly Ltd.				4.08
	Lighting & Telephone System	Crompton Greaves Ltd.				2.29
						<u>6.37</u>
14.	Road and Transport	NBCC				0.06
		Grand Total:				35.15

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(f) Yes, Sir.

(g) The details of foreign loan utilised are as follows:-

1	2	Amount		Rs. equivalent (Exchange Rate as on 27.11.91)
		3	4	
1.	Loan from KFW (Germany)	DM 110.045	Million	177.85
2.	Loan from Deutsche Bank	DM 71.562	Million	115.66
3.	Loan from Finnish Exp. Bank	DM 10.830	Million	17.50
4.	Loan from Nippon Cr. Bank	DM 10.681	Million	
		Sfr. 2.255	Million	21.37
5.	Swiss Mixed Credit	Sfr. 16.170	Million	29.49
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Exploration of Mineral Oil

2382. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made so far in various parts of the country for the exploration of mineral Oil; and

(b) the broad features in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHAN KUMAR): (a) and (b). Exploration has been carried out in several parts (basins) of the country i.e. category I Canbay, Upper Assam, Bombay Offshore, Krishna Godavari, Cauvery and Assam Arakan Fold Belt, and in categories II, III and IV basins i.e. Kutch, Rajasthan, Andaman, Himalayan foothills, Ganga Valley, Bengal, Saurashtra, Kerala Konkan, Mahanadi, Gondwana and other basins. As a result, in category I basins by 1.1.91 about 1178 MMT of recoverable reserves of crude oil have been established.

EEC Assistance for development of Kharland in Maharashtra

2383. SHRI SUDHIR SAWANT: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the European Economic

Community has allocated funds for the development of Kharland in the coastal regions of Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details of such funds provided by EEC during the last three years;

(c) whether these funds have been utilised;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the corrective measures being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) to (e). Agreement for the Saline Land Reclamation Project was signed with the European Economic Community in August 1984 for an amount of ECU 20 million to be provided in the form of commodity support i.e. fertilizers. Expenditure incurred by the Government of Maharashtra under this project is to be reimbursed out of counterpart funds (generated by sale of fertilizers). As of now, a sum of Rs. 15.68 crores has been reimbursed to the Maharashtra Government.

Defence Budget of Pakistan

2384. KUMARI UMABHARTI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether International Monetary Fund